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Confirmation No. 3734)
Applicant: EASTERBROOK, Eric T.)
Serial No.: 10/066,408)
Filed: January 30, 2002) Art Unit: 3725
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
IMPROVING THE FATIGUE LIFE OF)
COMPONENTS AND STRUCTURES) Examiner: N/A
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STATEMENT BY PRACTITIONER THAT APPLICATION FILED IN PTO IS
THE ONE INVENTOR EXECUTED BY SIGNING DECLARATION

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state I am the registered practitioner for this application and the application identified above is the application that the inventor executed by signing the Declaration that is being submitted herewith.

Date: MAY 2, 2002

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Respectfully submitted,
R. Reams Goodloe
SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY



COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL,
DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION, OR C-I-P)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is of the following type:

- ☐ Original (nonprovisional)
- ☐ Design
- ☐ Supplemental
- ☐ National Stage of PCT
- ☐ Divisional
- ☐ Continuation
- ☒ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor or an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING THE FATIGUE LIFE OF
COMPONENTS AND STRUCTURES**

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which:

- (a) ☐ is attached hereto.
- (b) ☒ was filed on January 30, 2002 as Serial No.:
10/066,408.
- (c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International
Application No. _____ filed on _____ and as
amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION (37 CFR § 1.67(b))

- ☐ I hereby declare that the subject matter of the
 - ☐ attached amendment
 - ☐ amendment filed on _____

was part of my/our invention and was invented before the filing date of the original application, above-identified, for such invention.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56. and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

I do not know and do not believe that the invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof.

I do not know and do not believe that the invention was ever patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, considering the benefit of any priority claimed hereinbelow.

I do not know and do not believe that the invention was in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, considering the benefit of any priority claimed hereinbelow.

PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a) - (d))

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §§ 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

(d) ☒ no such applications have been filed.

(e) ☐ such applications have been filed as follows:

PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION AND ANY
PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d))

COUNTRY (or indicate if PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day/mon/yr)	PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 37 USC 119
			__YES __NO
			__YES __NO

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL
APPLICATION(S) (35 U.S.C. § 119(e))**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §
119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed
below:

PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER

FILING DATE

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER US/PCT
APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120**

- ☒ The claim for benefit of any such applications are set forth
in the attached ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND
POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR
CONTINUATION-IN-PART (CIP) APPLICATION.

**ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED
MORE THAN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR
TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

POWER OF ATTORNEY

I hereby appoint the following practitioner to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

R. REAMS GOODLOE, JR.
Reg. No.: 32,466

I hereby appoint the practitioner associated with the Customer Number provided below to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole or first inventor:

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Inventor's Signature: _____

Date: _____ Country of Citizenship _____

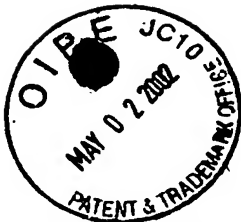
Residence: _____

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☐ **Signature** for third and subsequent joint inventors.
Number of pages added ____.

☒ Added pages to combined declaration and power of
attorney for divisional, continuation, or
continuation-in-part (CIP) application. Number of
pages added 2.

☐ This declaration ends with this page.



**ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR C-I-P APPLICATION**

(complete this part only if this is a divisional, continuation or C-I-P application)

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120**

I hereby claim the benefit, under Title 35, United States Code, § 120, of any United States application(s) or PCT international applications designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in that/those prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information

- ☒ that is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56
- ☒ and that is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent,

that occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application. (37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (e)).

- ☐ In compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98.

PRIOR U.S. APPLICATIONS OR PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S. FOR BENEFIT UNDER 35 USC 120:				
U.S. APPLICATIONS			STATUS	
U.S. APPLICATIONS	U.S. FILING DATE	Patented	Pending	Abandoned
10/057,303	01/23/02	Pending		
09/858,325	05/15/01	Pending		
09/668,769	09/22/00	Pending		
09/401,065	09/22/99	6,230,537 - Issued 05/15/01		
09/270,428	03/16/99	Pending		
PCT APPLICATIONS DESIGNATING THE U.S.				
PCT APPLICATION NO.	PCT FILING DATE	U.S. APPLICATION NOS. ASSIGNED		
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This Application No.: 10,066,408, filed on January 30, 2002, claims priority under 35 USC § 120 and is a continuation-in-part of prior copending Application number 10/057,303 filed on January 23, 2002, which claims priority under 35 USC § 120 and was a continuation-in-part of prior copending U.S. Application No. 09/858,325 filed May 15, 2001, which claims priority under 35 USC § 120 and was a continuation-in-part of prior copending U.S. Application No. 09/668,769 filed September 22, 2000, which was a continuation-in-part of prior copending U.S. Application No. 09/401,065 filed September 22, 1999 (now Patent No. 6,230,537 issued May 15, 2001), which application claimed priority under 35 USC § 120 and was a continuation-in-part of application no. 09/270,428 filed on March 16, 1999 which claimed the benefit of provisional application no. 60/078,356 filed on March 17, 1998 under 35 USC § 119(e).